## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

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Plaintiff,

v. Case No. 1:21-cv-3858-MLB

Ricky L. Clark, Jr., et al.,

Defendants.

## **ORDER**

This matter is before the Court on Magistrate Judge Walter E. Johnson's Final Report and Recommendation ("R&R") (Dkt. 9). The R&R recommends that Plaintiff's motion to dismiss be granted in part and denied in part, Plaintiff's request for a refund of the duplicate filing fee be granted, and the Clerk be directed to refund Plaintiff \$402, close the instant case, and consolidate all filings herein into Civil Action 1:21-cv-03854-ELR-AJB. Plaintiff does not object to the R&R.

"It does not appear that Congress intended to require district court review of a magistrate's factual or legal conclusions, under a de novo or any other standard, when neither party objects to those findings." Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985). But many district

courts still do conduct a limited review of unobjected-to portions of an

R&R, typically for clear error. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b) advisory

committee's note (1983 addition) ("When no timely objection is filed, the

court need only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the

record in order to accept the recommendation."). Even assuming that

review is necessary here, the Court sees no clear error in the Magistrate

Judge's recommendation.

The Court **ADOPTS** the R&R (Dkt. 9). The Court **GRANTS** IN

**PART** and **DENIES IN PART** Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. 6),

**GRANTS** Plaintiff's request for a refund of the duplicate filing fee, and

**DIRECTS** the Clerk to refund Plaintiff \$402, close the instant case, and

consolidate all filings herein into Civil Action 1:21-cv-03854-ELR-AJB.

SO ORDERED this 21st day of March, 2022.

MICHAEL L. BROWN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE